Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) (i) Proposed.

(ii) Rs. 700 lakhs.

(*b*) Technical clearance is awaited from C.W.P.& C. and taking up the Project will depend on the availability of funds.

Screening Committees for Recommending Compulsory Retirement

967. Sri S. RUDRAPPA (Chitapur).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

whether the Government has constituted screening committees for various departments to recommend for compulsory retirement of Government Servants whose age is above fifty years and found inefficient ?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

Yes.

Calling Atttention to a Matter of Urgent Public Importance

(i) *Re*: Plight of the copyists in Revenue Department in Gulbarga District

Sri D. B. KALMANKAR (Aland).—I call the attention of the Minister for Revenue to the plight of the copyists working in Revenue Department in Gulbarga District as a result of a Government Order.

† Sri H. V. KOUJALGI (Minister for Revenue).—The Government Order No. RD 149 EXE 61 dated 10th December 1968, has been kept in abeyance for one year, *i.e.*, till 1st April 1970, before when it is proposed to re-examine the arrangements made for copying work in Revenue Offices in consultation with the Divisional Commissioners. There is thus no question of persons working as Copyists being thrown out as a result of the Government Order dated 10th December 1968.

(ii) *Re*: Highway robbery near Gouribidanur

Sri B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—I call the attention of the Chief Minister to the Highway robbery that took place near Makalidurga near Gouribidanur on Bangalore-Hindupur Road.